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1. DEPT APPRECIATES REPORT OF MARACAIBO BI-NATIONAL CENTER INAUGURATION AND CONGRATULATES ALL CONCERNED UPON RAPID AND SUCCESSFUL FRUITION OF THIS PROJECT.
 2. WE ARE AWARE OF DIFFICULTIES FACED AND PROBLEMS ATTENDANT UPON THIS INITIATIVE. REFTEL CONFIRMS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THESE WERE APPROACHED AND SURMOUNTED IN DYNAMIC AND IMAGINATIVE FASHION. NOW THAT BNC IS A REALITY, WE TRUST IT WILL CONTRIBUTE MATERIALLY TO CONSTRUCTIVE AND EVER CLOSER US-VENEZUELAN RELATIONS IN IMPORTANT ZULIA AREA.
 3. NOTE HAS BEEN TAKEN OF KEY ROLE PLAYED BY SHELDON AVENIUS AND WILLIAM PETERS IN BRINGING BNC INTO BEING. THEY ARE TO BE COMMENDED, AS ARE THE MANY OTHERS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME. FINALLY, DEPT IS AWARE THAT MUCH OF CREDIT FOR ORIGINAL INITIATIVE MUST GO PERSONALLY TO
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